

BRITAIN'S GREATEST HERO!

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GRIST

# JACK STAFF





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GO.

TAKE  
YOUR  
COMPANION  
AND LEAVE.  
NOW.

HE USED TO BE A TEACHER.  
CALLED HIM **HANS GRUBER**.

HE USED TO BE A SOLDIER.  
CALLED HIM A **PATRIOT**.

WERDEN  
WIR UNS  
NICHT  
WIEDER  
SEHEN.

YOU  
ARE AN  
HONORABLE  
MAN JACK  
STAFF.

" BUT  
THIS IS  
NOT AN  
HONORABLE  
WAR."

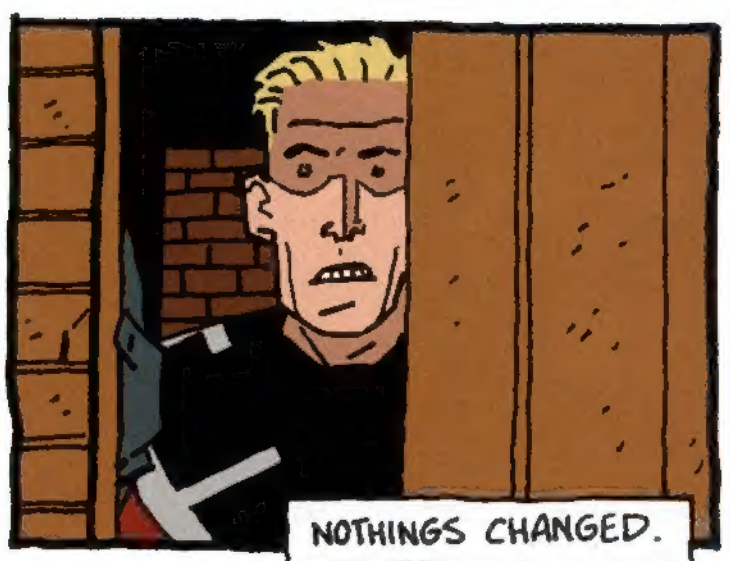
FALLS  
DIE  
GÖTTER  
MIR HOLD  
SIND

HE USED TO BE A SUPER HERO.  
CALLED HIM **KAPITAN KRIEG**.

THEN HE FOUND OUT THAT  
HE'D JUST BEEN **USED**.











A FEATURE LENGTH  
**JACK STAFF**  
PRESENTATION  
★ featuring **Q** ★

SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY

**TOM  
TOM**  
THE ROBOT MAN

**LUCKY DAY**



ELSEWHERE.







HELEN!

WHAT  
IS IT?  
WHAT'S  
HAPPENED?

I DON'T  
KNOW  
HARRY

SHE'S  
HAVING  
SOME  
KIND OF  
FIT

N--

N--



NO.



I'M  
NOT GOING  
TO GO.

YOU  
CAN'T  
MAKE  
ME.

**YES YOU WILL-- YOU ARE GREEN**  
-- THAT WAS YOUR **CHOICE** --  
NOW YOU DO **OUR** **BIDDING** --

I  
KNOW  
WHAT WILL  
HAPPEN IF  
WE GO  
THERE  
...

I  
SAW WHAT  
HAPPENED  
IN THE  
WINDOW  
...

AND  
I'M NOT  
GOING TO  
DO THAT  
TO HIM.

THEN WHAT  
YOU SAW WAS  
ONLY **ONE**  
POSSIBILITY-- IT  
**MIGHT** HAPPEN--  
IT MIGHT NOT!

BUT YOU **KNOW** WHAT  
**WILL** HAPPEN IF YOU  
**DON'T** GO--

**DEATH! CHAOS!**  
**DESTRUCTION!**  
THE **RED** WILL HAVE  
A POWERFUL ALLY IF  
YOU DO NOT STAND  
AGAINST IT!

SO, IN THE  
END IT'S A  
VERY **SMALL**  
PRICE TO  
PAY.

BUT YOU'RE  
NOT THE  
ONE WHO'S  
PAYING,  
ARE YOU?







DON'T ...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT MORE I CAN DO.

I'M JUST TRYING TO KEEP HER TEMPERATURE DOWN.

SHE'S JUST BABBLING. SHE'S NOT MAKING ANY SENSE AT ALL.

SO NOT MUCH DIFFERENT FROM USUAL THEN.

TESCO ...

WE HAVE TO GO TO TESCO ...

WE GET TO FIGHT **EVIL** AND I CAN GET MY LOTTERY TICKET AT THE SAME TIME.

GREAT.

TESCO?

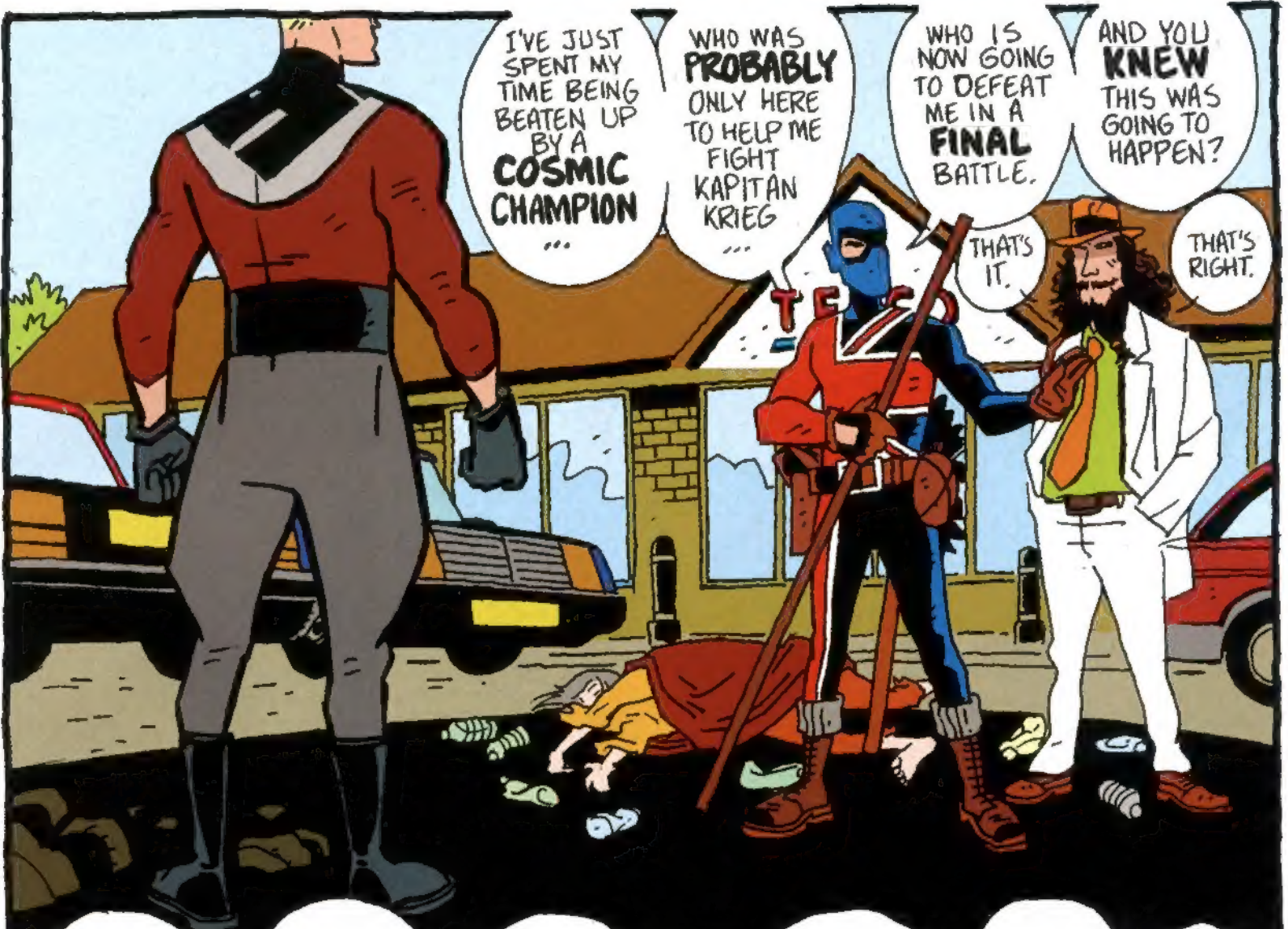
I'M SORRY HARRY ...

...S... SA...S SORRY ...





OKAY,  
SO LET'S  
JUST RUN  
THROUGH  
THIS  
AGAIN  
...



I'VE JUST  
SPENT MY  
TIME BEING  
BEATEN UP  
BY A  
**COSMIC  
CHAMPION**  
...

WHO WAS  
**PROBABLY**  
ONLY HERE  
TO HELP ME  
FIGHT  
KAPITAN  
KRIEG  
...

WHO IS  
NOW GOING  
TO DEFEAT  
ME IN A  
**FINAL  
BATTLE.**

AND YOU  
**KNEW**  
THIS WAS  
GOING TO  
HAPPEN?

THAT'S  
IT.

THAT'S  
RIGHT.

SO WHY  
DIDN'T  
YOU **TELL**  
ME?

I THINK  
YOU'LL  
FIND I  
**DID**,  
MISTER  
SMITH  
...

BUT  
YOU WENT  
AND BOUGHT  
THE EGGS  
ANYWAY.

hmm.

ANYTHING  
**ELSE**  
I OUGHT  
TO KNOW?

WELL,  
TODAY'S  
YOUR  
**LUCKY**  
DAY.

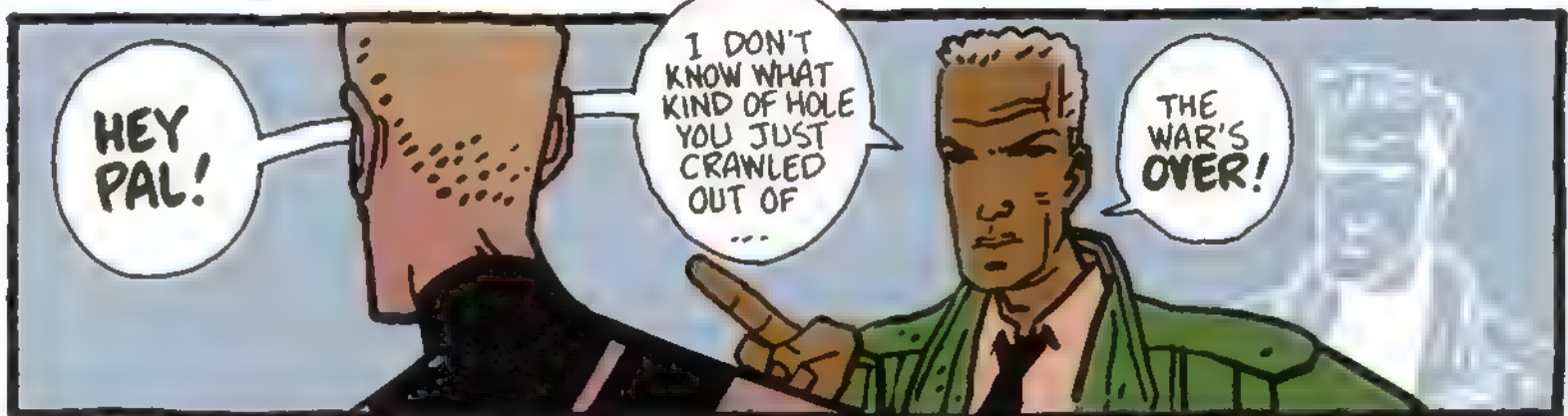
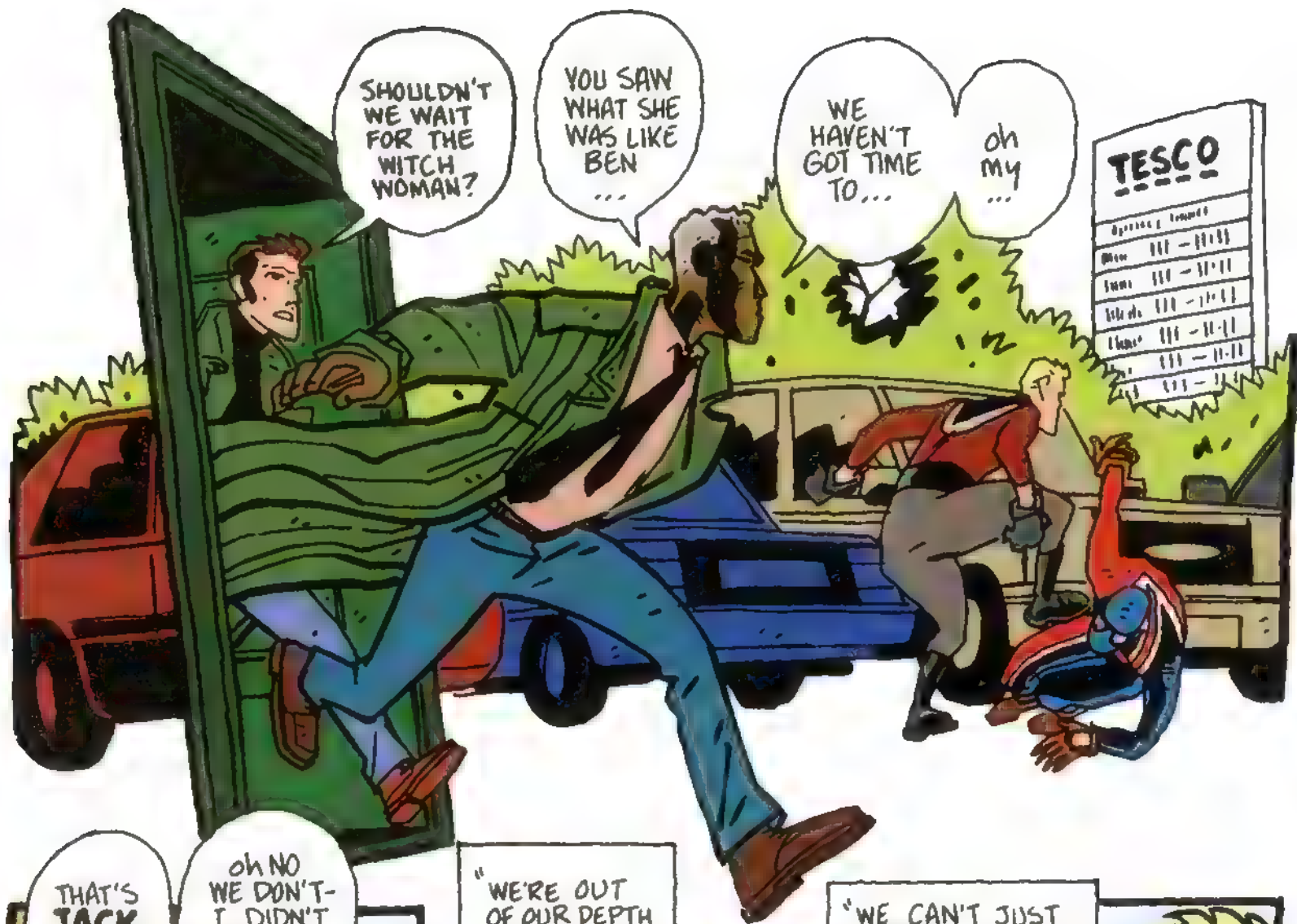
AND  
YOUR  
SPECIAL  
COLOUR  
IS GREEN.























oh.  
I SEE  
NOW,



YOU  
THINK  
YOU'RE  
INVISIBLE.

No!

He can't  
be THAT  
fast...

Nothing could  
be THAT fast.  
Nothing



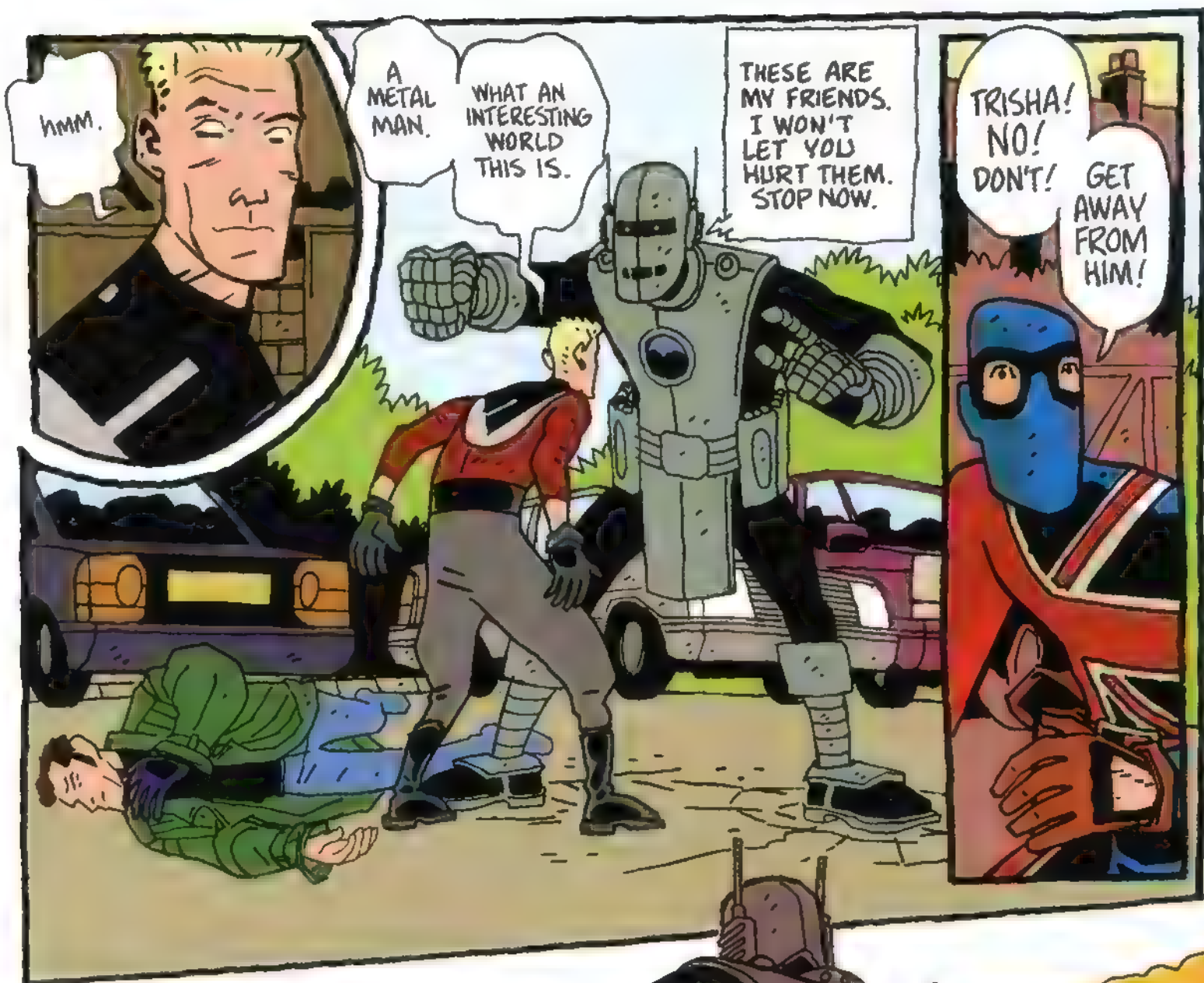
HUMAN?  
NO, I DON'T  
SUPPOSE  
THEY  
COULD.



Ack  
...  
MY...  
THROAT  
..



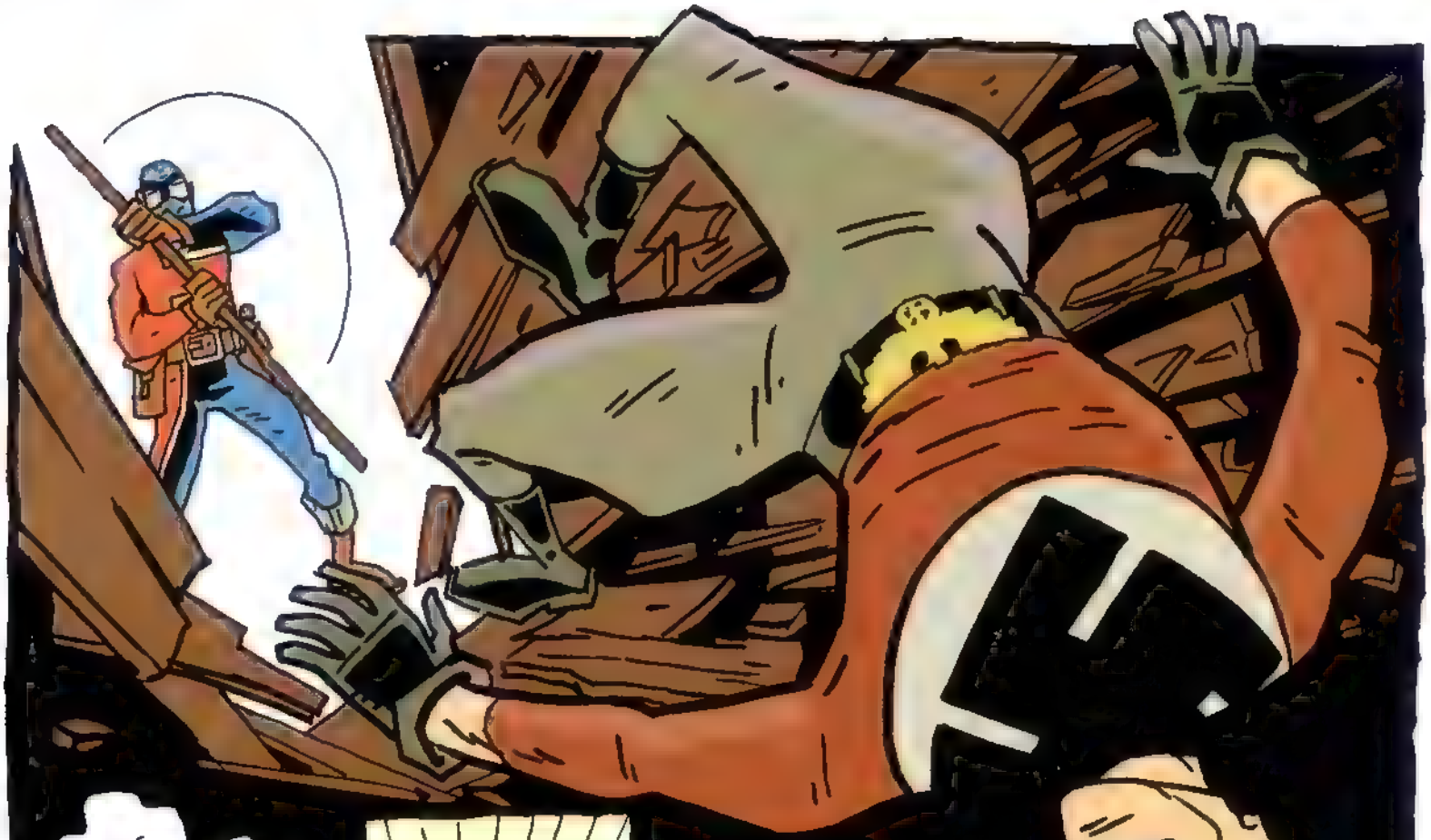






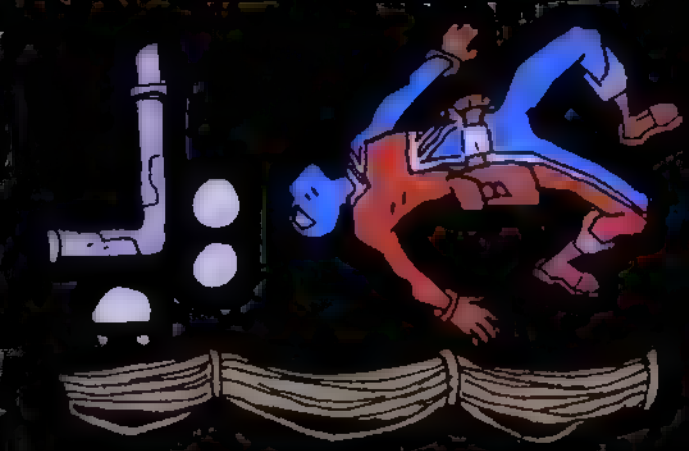






COME ON, JOHN ...

YOU CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT ...



I'M SORRY, JOHN ...

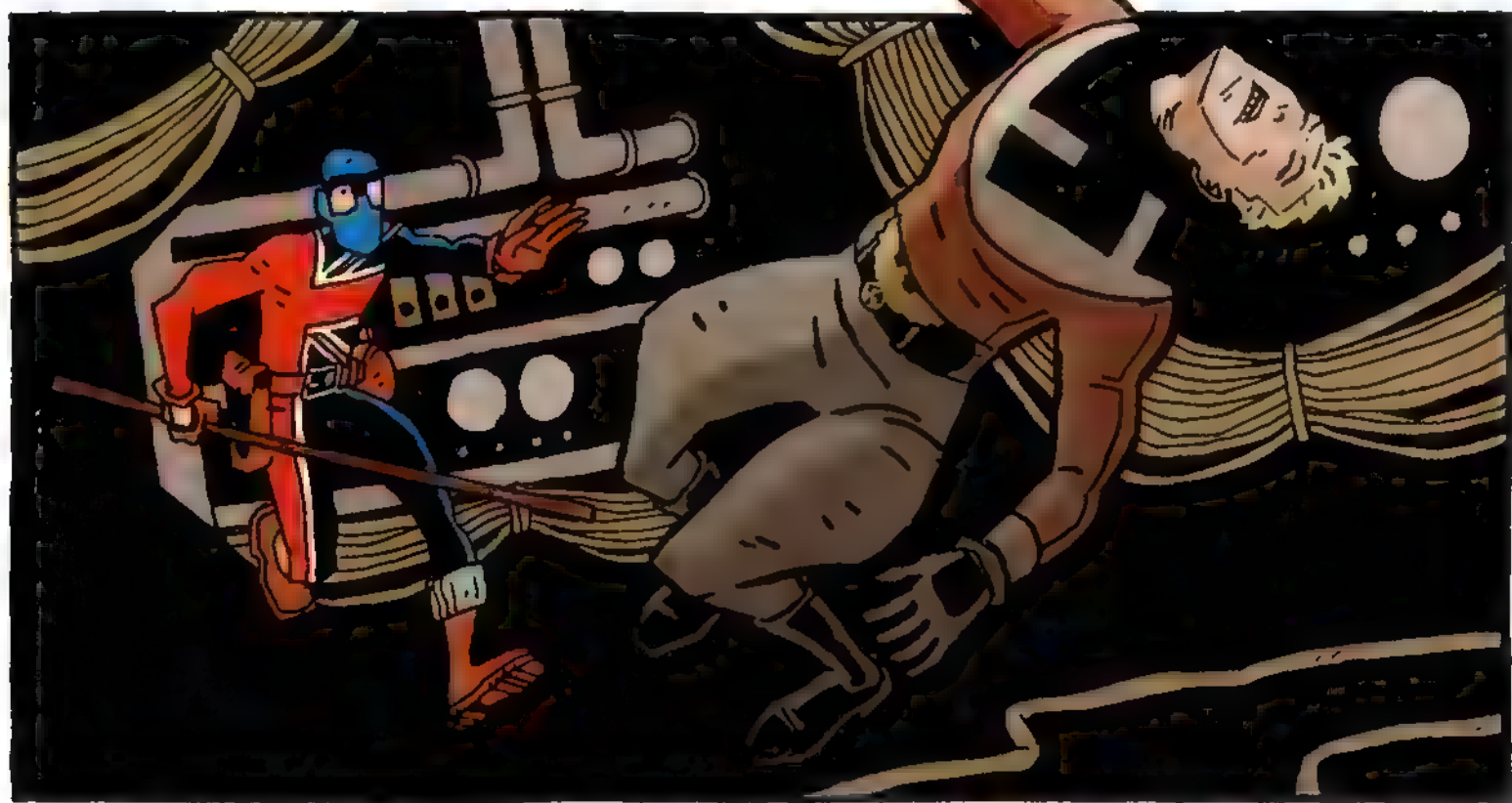
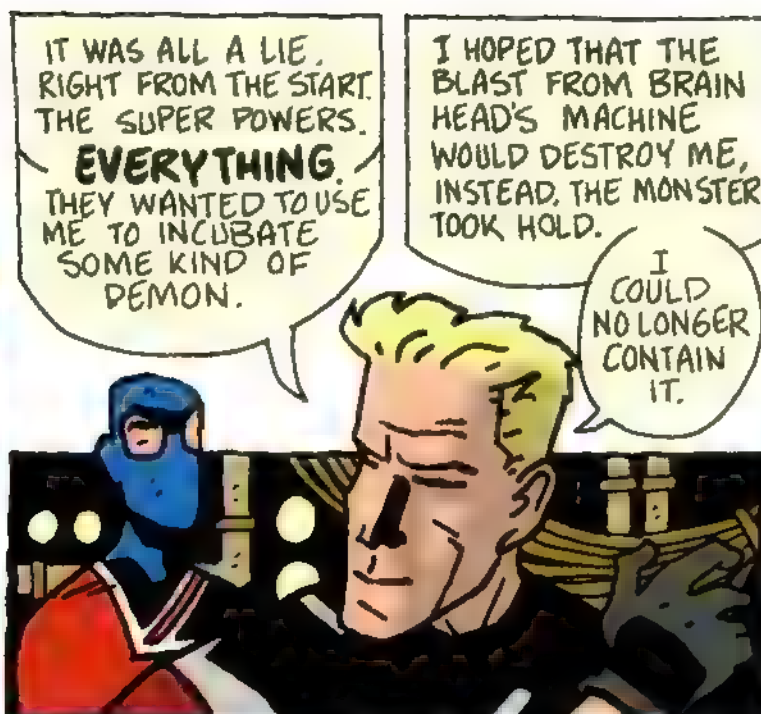
I HAD HOPED WHEN THIS WAR IS OVER WE COULD BE FRIENDS.

WE HAVE MUCH IN COMMON YOU AND I ...





YOUR VOICE ... WHAT'S GOING ON, HANS?







YOU'RE  
REALLY  
STARTING  
TO **ANNOY**  
ME NOW  
...



oh  
I THINK  
WE'RE **LONG**  
**PAST** THE  
POINT WHERE  
YOU COULD  
STOP ME.









THE  
LAND OF  
**TESCO**  
IS **MINE!**

TE

Opening  
Mon. 8-0  
Tues 8-0



EXCUSE  
ME  
...

JUST  
KEEP  
THE  
NOISE  
DOWN  
...



OR I'M  
GOING TO  
HAVE TO  
ASK YOU  
TO LEAVE.



**HA HA  
HA HA**



OKAY, I  
ASKED  
YOU  
NICELY.



NOW I'M  
GOING TO  
HAVE TO  
USE THE  
**NAUGHTY**  
STEP.

HELEN MORGAN  
TELLS HERSELF  
IT'S NOT REAL.  
THE DEMON  
SHOULDN'T  
(COULDN'T)  
EXIST AT THIS  
LEVEL.

THAT'S WHY IT HAD TO SPEND MONTHS  
INSIDE THE BODY OF KAPITAN KRIEG—  
BUILDING BRIDGES ACROSS THE  
DIFFERENT LEVELS OF EXISTENCE.

BECOMING  
REAL.



IF SHE IS TO  
WIN, HELEN  
MORGAN MUST  
FIGHT THE  
DEMON ON EVERY  
LEVEL OF EXISTENCE.  
ALL AT ONCE



EVEN IF SHE WAS A HUNDRED PERCENT IT WOULD BE A HIGH ON IMPOSSIBLE TASK.

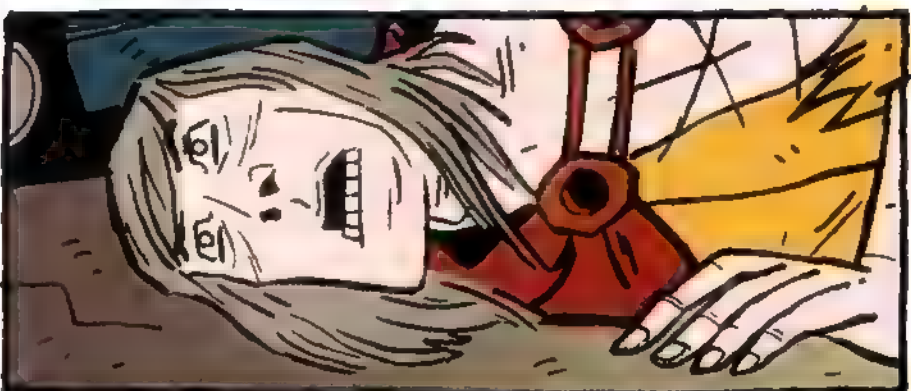
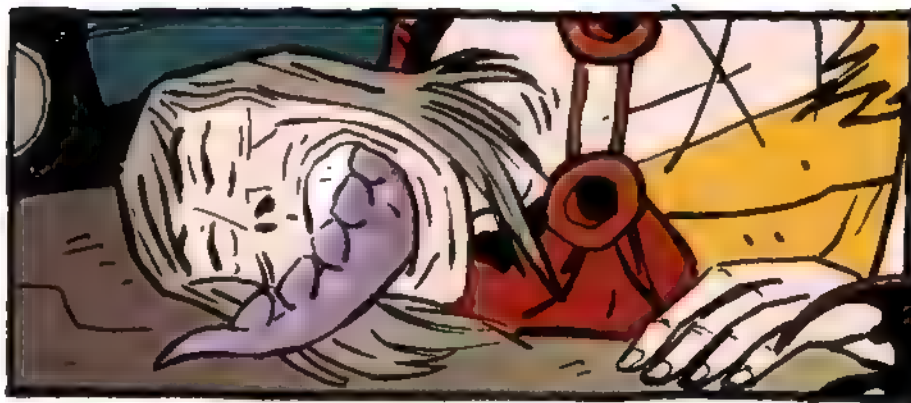
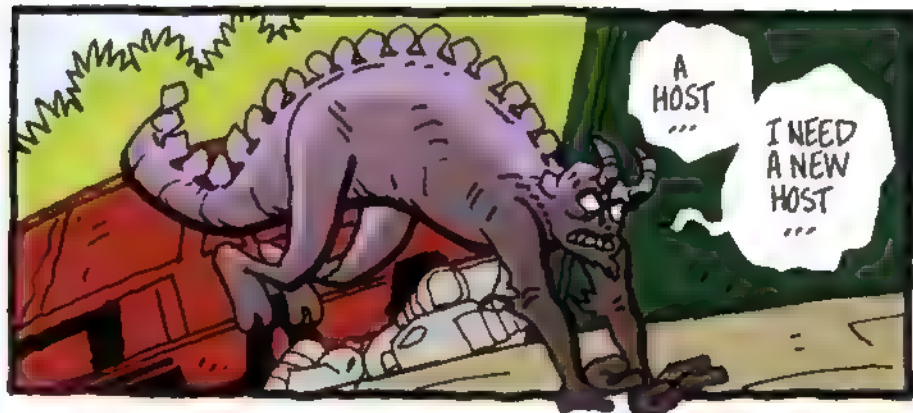
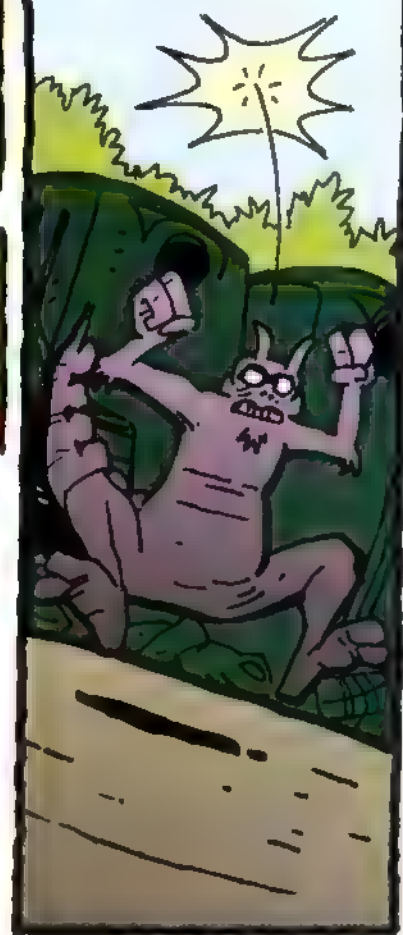


SHE'S NOT A HUNDRED PERCENT, BUT SHE GIVES IT EVERYTHING SHE HAS.

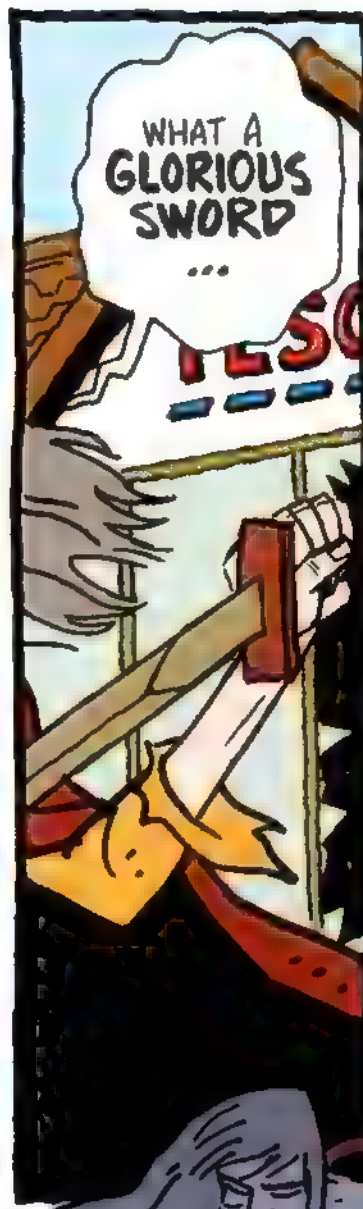
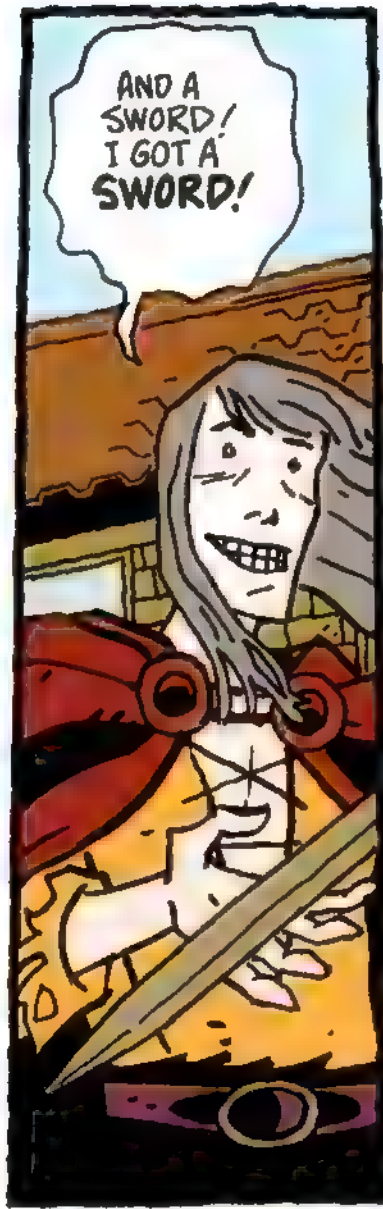


AND, IN THE END, IT'S ALMOST ENOUGH.

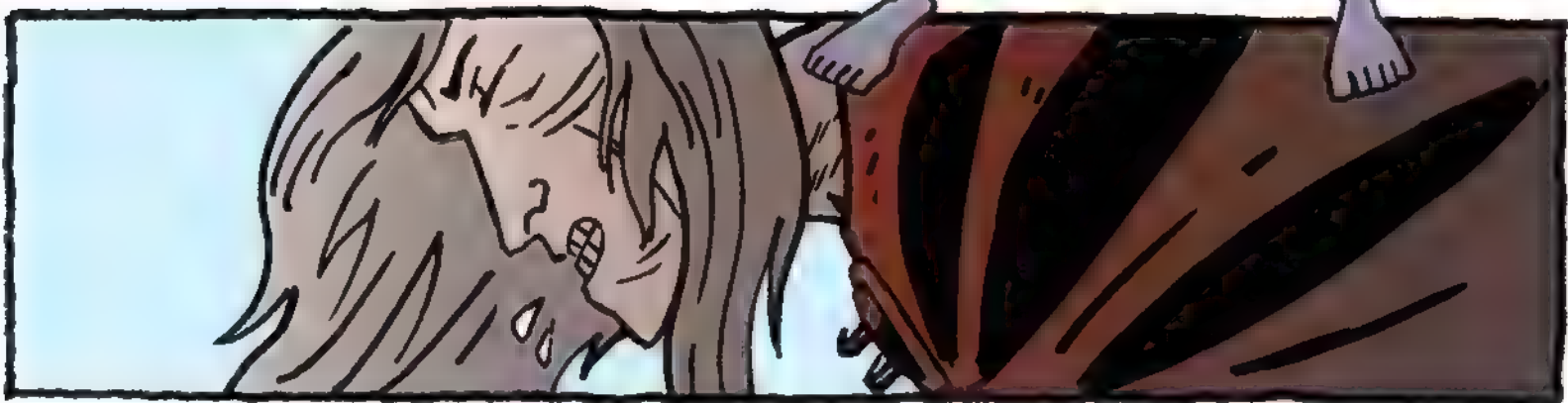
ALMOST.







"THIS IS THE MOMENT  
HE'S HERE FOR."







THE  
DEMON IS  
AT ITS MOST  
**DANGEROUS**  
AT THIS POINT!  
IT CANNOT  
SURVIVE  
IN OUR  
WORLD!

IT NEEDS  
A STRONG  
POWERFUL  
HOST BODY  
TO PROTECT  
IT...

**YEEHARR--**



SO THAT'S  
GOING  
TO BE  
**ME...**

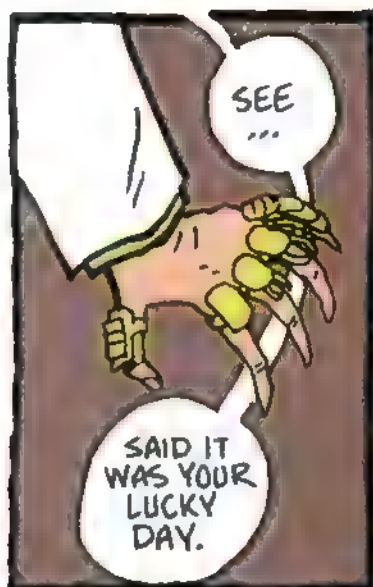
OR  
**YOU!**



GOOD  
LUCK!









# TOM TOM

THE ROBOT MAN



TRISHA,  
I'M  
SORRY.

THIS  
WAS  
MY  
MESS.

MY  
FAULT.



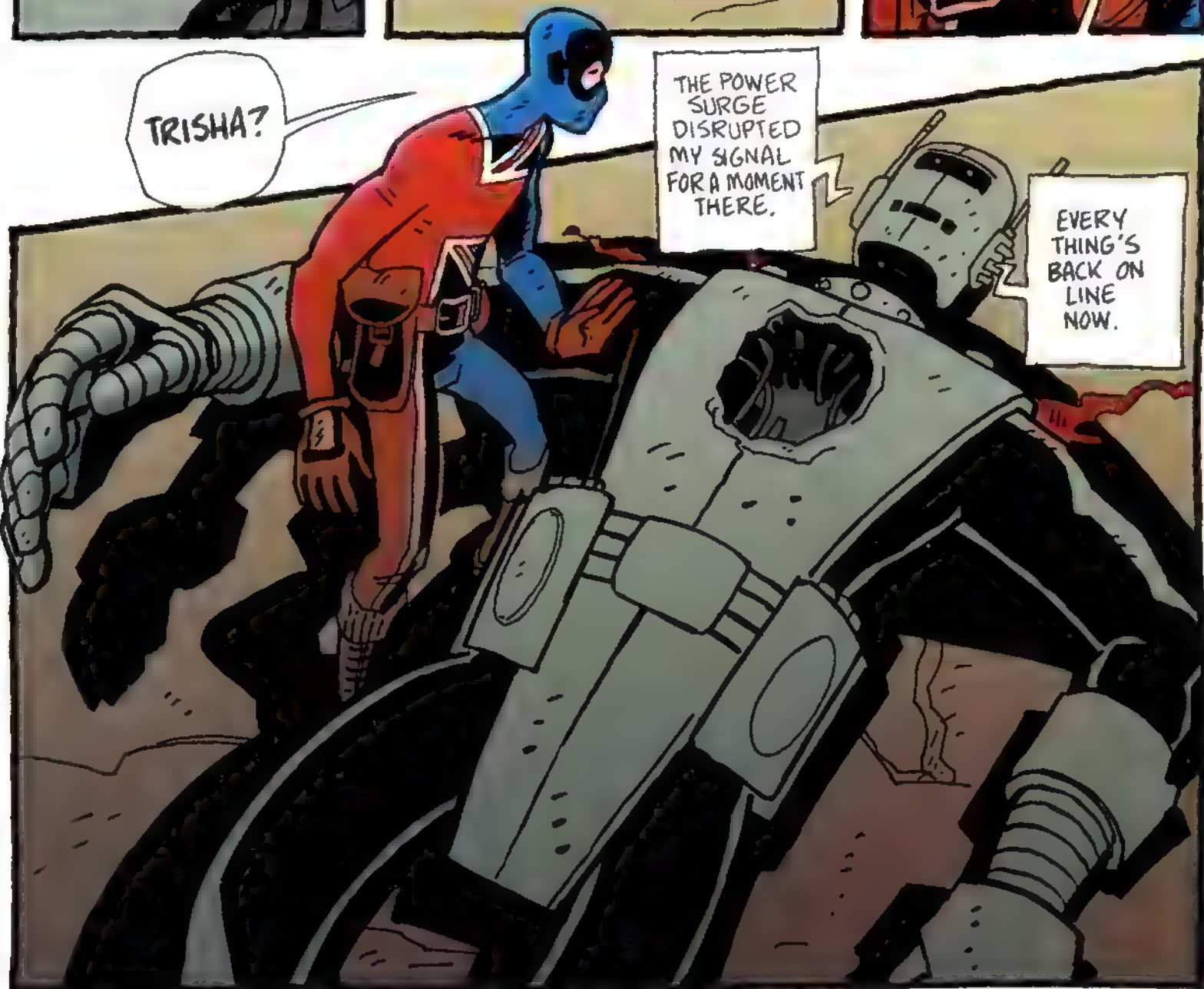
YOU  
SHOULD  
NEVER'VE  
BEEN  
TOUCHED  
BY ANY  
OF THIS  
...

IT'S ALRIGHT,  
JACK--  
IT'S NOT  
AS BAD AS  
IT LOOKS  
...

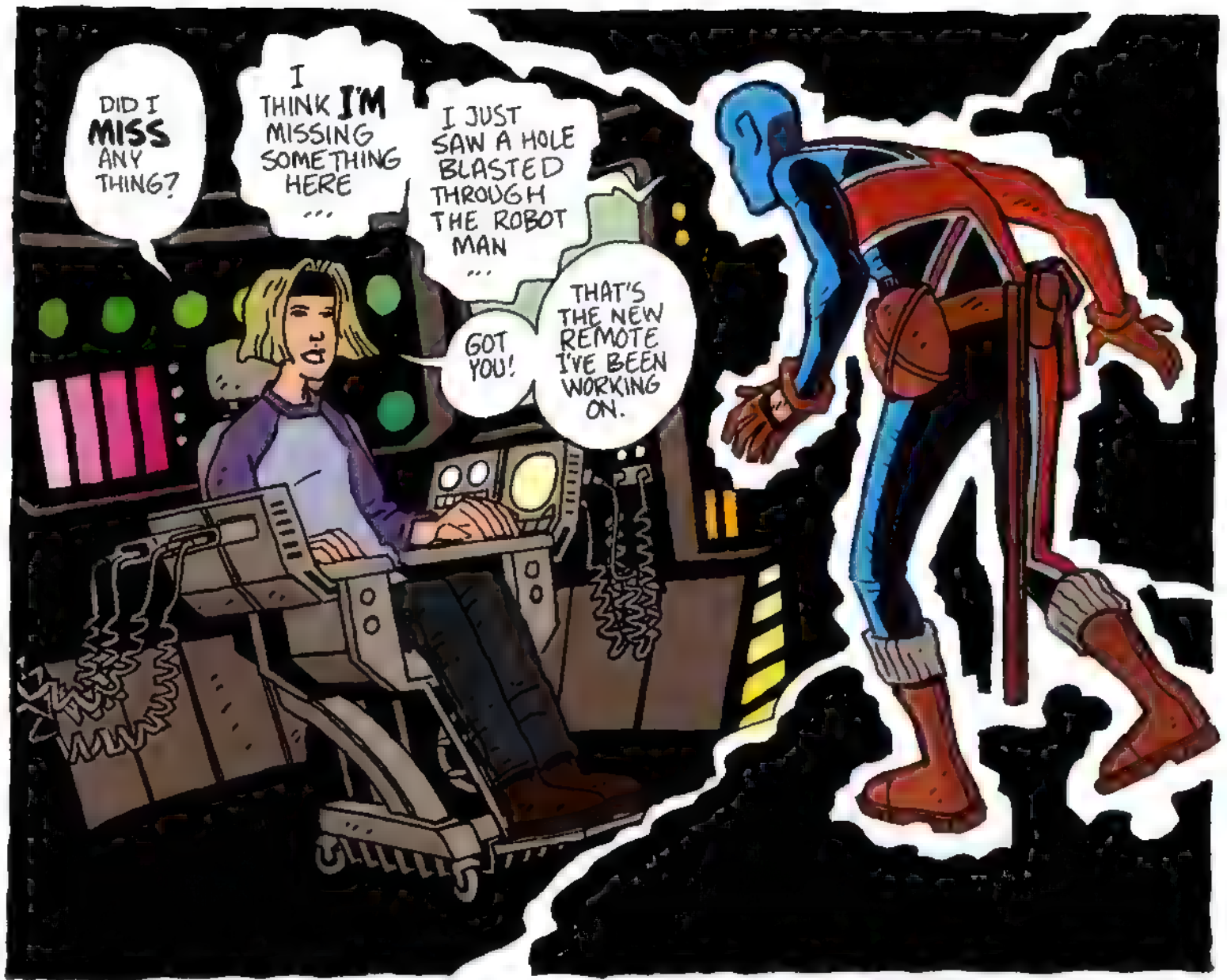
TRISHA?

THE POWER  
SURGE  
DISRUPTED  
MY SIGNAL  
FOR A MOMENT  
THERE.

EVERY  
THING'S  
BACK ON  
LINE  
NOW.







DID I  
MISS  
ANY  
THING?

I  
THINK I'M  
MISSING  
SOMETHING  
HERE  
...

I JUST  
SAW A HOLE  
BLASTED  
THROUGH  
THE ROBOT  
MAN  
...

GOT  
YOU!

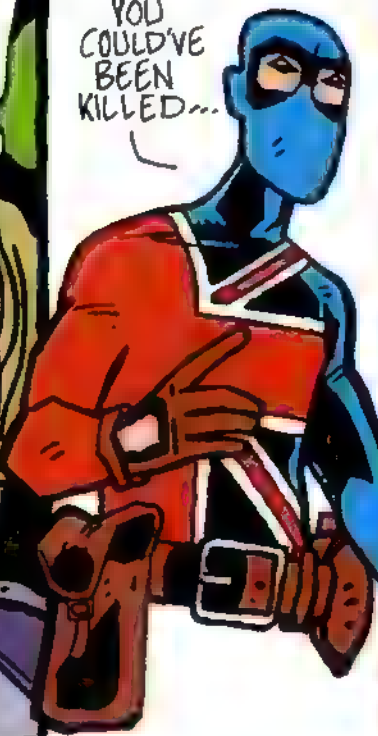
THAT'S  
THE NEW  
REMOTE  
I'VE BEEN  
WORKING  
ON.



I CAN  
OPERATE  
IT FROM MY  
BASE AND  
I GET TO SEE  
EVERYTHING  
VIA A HOLO-  
GRAM LINK!  
NEAT, huh?

OKAY, WE REALLY  
NEED TO TALK ABOUT  
YOUR LIFESTYLE  
CHOICES, TRISHA-  
THIS ISN'T **NEAT**,  
IT'S **DANGEROUS!**

I  
YOU  
COULD'VE  
BEEN  
KILLED...



WHAT'S  
THAT,  
JACK?

I'M  
LOSING  
THE  
SIGNAL  
AGAIN  
...



**CLICK**

THAT'S  
ALL I  
NEED  
...

VIRTUAL  
REALITY  
PARENTS.



# THE ETERNAL WARRIOR

AND AS FOR THE COSMIC CHAMPION?

THE COSMIC WOULD NEVER LET THEM GET OFF THAT EASILY.

LET'S JUST SAY THEY'RE NOTORIOUSLY DIFFICULT TO KILL.

HEY!  
IT'S OKAY  
...  
IT'S OVER.



AND, JUST FOR A MOMENT, THERE  
IS A CONNECTION BETWEEN THEM.



**BRITAIN'S GREATEST HERO  
AND THE COSMIC CHAMPION**

A MOMENT OF  
UNDERSTANDING.  
A MOMENT OF  
REMEMBERANCE.  
A MOMENT OF  
RECOGNITION.



BUT THEN THE WARRIOR STEPS BACK  
INTO ETERNITY AND THE MOMENT IS GONE.



ALREADY THE DETAILS BEGIN  
TO FADE IN HIS MIND.  
JUST ONE MORE FIGHT IN  
A LONG LINE OF FIGHTS.

IT WASN'T THE FIRST.  
IT WASN'T THE LAST.  
IT'S NEVER THE LAST.



# EPILOGUE THREE

NOBODY WANTED TO CLAIM THE BODY.  
NO FAMILY OR FRIENDS OR COUNTRY  
TO MOURN HIS PASSING.

WELL, JUST ONE.



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IT WAS THE LEAST  
HE COULD DO.



AND HE WONDERED  
WHO WOULD BE  
LEFT TO DO THIS  
ONE LAST THING  
FOR HIM WHEN  
HIS TIME CAME.

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